

WHEREAS, Agriculture is the basic industry in South Dakota, providing either the market or the raw material for almost the entire economy of the State; and,

WHEREAS, All citizens of the State, whether rural or urban, benefit because of a prosperous agricultural economy; and,

WHEREAS, The Livestock Industry accounts for approximately eighty per cent of the agricultural economy of the State; and,

WHEREAS, The recent red meat boycotts and threat of price roll backs could have drastic and detrimental effects on the entire economy of the State and nation; and,

WHEREAS, The economic understanding of a large segment of the population is at an all time low with regard to agriculture production; and,

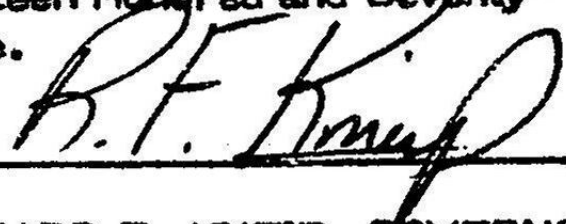
WHEREAS, The population of South Dakota needs to expound upon the economic importance of a healthy agricultural industry:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RICHARD F. KNEIP, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim the week of May 7, 1973, as

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in South Dakota and urge an understanding and recognition of the achievements and services of the Livestock Industry in our State.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this 1st day of May, in the Year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Seventy-three.



RICHARD F. KNEIP, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:



LORNA B. HERSETH, SECRETARY OF STATE